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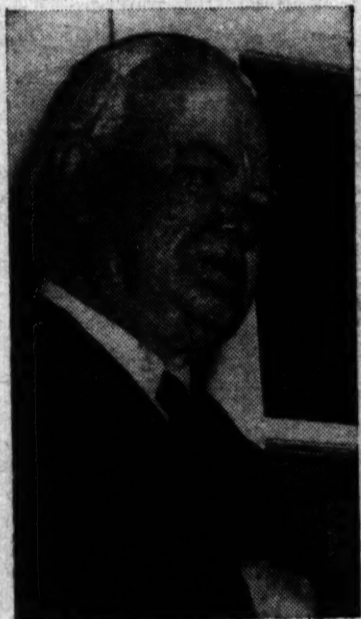


**KING GEORGE OF GREECE**  
May Get U. S. Aid

## U.S. MAY MOVE INTO GREECE

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**HOOVER**

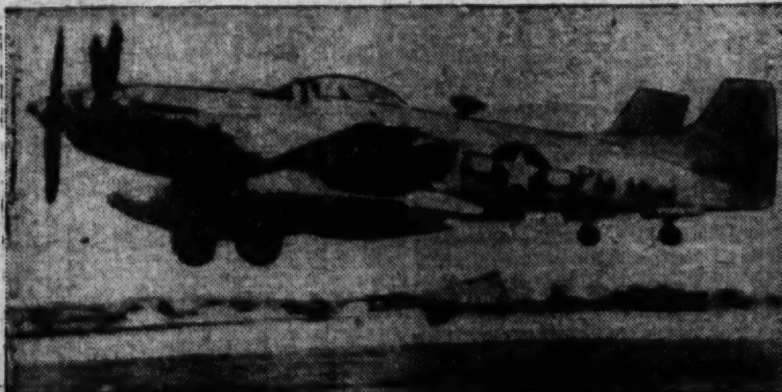
### What Kind of 'Relief' Does Hoover Want?

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**WASHINGTON BUSY:** Gen. Marshall meets with Rep. Charles A. Eaton, chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee. The Secretary of State and the President met Thursday with congressional leaders to promote a plan for bolstering the British military occupation of Greece.

### P-82 ARRIVES FROM HAWAII IN 14½ HOURS



The Army's P-82 twin-Mustang fighter plane, the Betty Jo (above), streaked into LaGuardia Field at 11:06 a.m., yesterday, on a non-stop flight from Honolulu in 14 hours, 33 minutes. Lt. Col. Robert E. Thacker, chief pilot, named the ship after his wife (shown at right).

Another plane arrived yesterday at the field, the P-51, from Burbank, Cal., and set a transcontinental speed record of six hours, seven minutes, and five seconds, for a propeller driven single engine plane.



### House Guts Wage-Hour Law, 345-56

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## WORLD EVENTS

# Hoover's Plan for Germany: A Threat to Our Country

By Joseph Clark

An item-by-item analysis of Herbert Hoover's report on Germany reveals it as the biggest threat to America since Hitler remilitarized the Rhineland 13 years ago. Here it is—so the American people may be on the alert to this danger:

Hoover says:

"We now know that, driven back into her own borders, she (Germany) would have blown up in chaos within a short time without further military action."

That's what the apologists for the Nazis say. The terrible Americans, French, Russians and British insisted on crossing the German frontiers to shatter the Nazi military machine. Thus in his very introduction Hoover echoes a Nazi underground argument blaming the Allies, not the Nazis, for the destruction and devastation in Germany.

### HOOVER SAYS:

"The 90,000 Nazis held in concentration camps, and the 1,900,000 others held under sanctions by which they can only engage in manual labor . . . add to administrative and industrial problems."

The kind of Germany Hoover wants to rebuild requires freedom for the Nazi war criminals and entrenching the old Nazi leadership in positions of leadership in industry and administration.

### HOOVER SAYS:

"There has been little repair of damaged houses, due to lack of materials and transportation. The Ruhr is, due to lack of skilled men and physical vitality in labor, producing only 23,000 tons per day, as against a former 450,000 tons per day."

Truth is there are millions of jobless Germans in the western zones. There has been little repair of damage in the western zones because the old German monopolists and millionaires still run things in the west.

The workers have no incentive to work under the old bosses who created the Nazi monster.

### HOOVER SAYS:

"The Russian military zone in Germany was a large part of the bread basket of Germany. . . . Due to a lack of fertilizers, good seed, farm implements and skilled labor, the 1946 agricultural production in the American and British zones was about 65 percent of prewar."

He blames the Russians and shortages in agricultural equipment and labor. But how does he explain the fact that agricultural production has increased in the eastern zone? The answer he does not give is that the landlord Junkers were removed and their estates divided up among the German farmers.

In the western zones, there are still Junkers and large landowners. There is still an enormous hoarding of agricultural products which



**STARVED BY NAZIS:** These Yugoslav children are barred from relief by the Hoover and Administration plans for confining relief to the enemies of the United States.

is deliberately kept from the workers or sold on the black market.

Bavaria, one of the richest, most intensively cultivated areas in the world, doesn't supply other states of Germany with food, because the Nazis run Bavaria under the noses of the U.S. military government.

### HOOVER SAYS:

"Nutritional conditions in those countries (including Italy and France) is nearly prewar normal, while the special German groups that I have mentioned are not only below the other nations but disastrously so."

Two million unemployed Italians and many others in that ruined country don't even get 1,000 calories a day; many of them thus receive less food than the Germans.

Not to speak of Polish, Ukrainian, Byelorussian, Yugoslav and other allied peoples whose lands were devastated by the Nazis and receive as little and in many cases less calories per day than the Germans.

Hoover wants relief to our allies cut while increasing relief shipments to Germany.

### HOOVER SAYS:

"The Potsdam Declaration results in Germany having no consequential overseas shipping." He recommends giving them 75 Liberty ships at the very time when the government demands a return of ships given to our Russian allies.

Hoover opposes the Potsdam decisions which were supposed to aid the shipping and ruined economy of the victims of Nazi aggression.

### HOOVER SAYS:

"Maximum expedition could be made of exports of German manufactures. . . . But such exports are hampered by . . . trading-with-the-enemy acts and restrictions on free communication, together with limitations on dealings between buyers and sellers."

Certainly Germany should export—especially to the victims of Nazi aggression. But Hoover is proposing free and unrestricted economic relations between German monopolist business criminals and American cartellists. Once before they built up the German war machine which murdered 200,000 Americans and millions of other people.

### HOOVER SAYS:

"Expenditures for the relief of the civil population (of Germany) should be made a first charge upon the economy of Germany and repaid from any future net exports from Germany before any payments to other nations of any kind." Germany must export to American and British capitalists in payment for this so-called relief, Hoover says, "ahead of any reparations claims."

Instead of building a healthy democratic German economy which will help pay in part for the awful destruction by the Nazis in Europe—Hoover demands an alliance between German big business and Wall Street and London City monopolists. His plan calls for elimination of reparations as agreed by the allies. Instead, he wants payment to American capitalists who will be making profit on the goods they ship to and get from Germany.

### HOOVER SAYS:

"It may come as a great shock to American taxpayers that, having won the war over Germany, we are now faced for some years with large expenditures for relief for these people."

It's not only a shock but a desecration of the men who fell at Anzio, Normandy and in the Ardennes.

The big U.S. corporations won't suffer. They will profit from rebuilding German big business which is the economic source of Nazism.

Above all, this money won't bring real relief to the people of Germany who can escape starvation and suffering only through the unification of Germany, economic and political, and through getting rid of the Junkers and monopolists who stand in the way of the reconstruction of Germany.

Hoover opposes such a program and suggests, instead, the Dulles plan to tie western Germany to a western bloc against the east.

### HOOVER SAYS:

"If western civilization is to survive in Europe it must also survive in Germany. And it must be built into a cooperative member of that civilization."

There's the nub of the question. Not relief for hungry Germans—but rebuilding Germany as part of a WESTERN BLOC. Not food for the needy, but appeasing German fascism to turn it against the east.

We paid in blood, sweat and tears for that policy before. Herbert Hoover wants to start the merry-go-round once more.

repayment as well as compliance with our conditions.

President Truman's message last Friday asking Congress to appropriate this fund left no doubt (Continued on Page 3)

## Hoover Asks Strings on Relief

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—The \$350 million relief fund requested by President Truman should be loaned, not given, to the peoples of war devastated countries, Herbert Hoover said today before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. The former GOP president, now special relief adviser to the White House, suggested nine conditions to be attached to the loans which would give the U. S. government a dominant voice in the economic, military, and fiscal affairs of the recipient countries.

Hoover's appearance was well advertised in advance. An audience of 300 including many congressmen, which packed the large Ways and Means Committee room, applauded as he was introduced in fulsome language by Chairman Charles Eaton (R-NJ).

One small group in the rear noticeably refrained from ap-

plause.

"We are agricultural workers and members of the Food and Tobacco Workers, CIO," one of them told this correspondent. "We are in town protesting the anti-labor legislation the Republicans are backing. We heard Hoover was going to speak so we dropped in here. We remember him from 1930 when some of us lived in Hoovervilles and all of us suffered from the Hoover depression. Some of the boys just wanted to see what the old fellow looked like."

The attitude of a majority of

the committee members—including Democrats toward the Republican Party's elder statesman was one of worshipful respect. The exception was Rep. Helen Gahagan Douglas (D-Cal) who questioned Hoover sharply.

"If this money is a loan which must be repaid," she asked, "is it not unreasonable to ask these countries to comply with the strict rules that we lay down?" She observed with a touch of sarcasm that this was "a radically new idea in relief programs."

Hoover replied that he saw no reason why we shouldn't demand

## Hoover's Snare

### An Editorial

Herbert Hoover went to Europe "to save money for American taxpayers." So we are told. He's back with a plan to feed the Germans to the tune of more than half a billion dollars—more than the proposed relief for half a dozen Allied peoples.

If feeding the Germans would solve their long-range problems, it might make some sense. Actually, Hoover's plan solves nothing basic; it may only result in requests for American lives.

Here's why—


Hoover wants to put the 43 million Germans in the two western zones to work reviving industry—on exactly the same social relations as under Hitler. Except that the powerful German economy of the Ruhr would in part be bought up by American and British monopolists.

And the land system in western and southern Germany would remain—in the hands of the feudal owners. Exactly as in Hitler's times.

The Germans would have to export, and Hoover wants a first claim on their exports to pay for the proposed American relief. He wants, that is, to cut the deserving Allies of Europe out of reparations. To prevent the genuine reconstruction of Europe, Hoover wants an American mortgage on German production.

But where would such a replica of Hitler's Germany export? To Latin America? Into the British Empire? It makes no sense. That's exactly where we and the British are now finding it hard to get markets. Such a Germany would be a nest of aggressive plans, a center of reac-

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## WESTERN UNION

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HERBERT HOOVER.

**BUDDIES: COUGHLIN AND HOOVER:** The man who wants to end relief to our Allies and build up a reactionary Germany acknowledges a gift from fascist Coughlin for the Finnish allies of Nazi Germany, then at war with Russia. Above is Hoover's telegram acknowledging the gift from Coughlin.

# Hint US Plans Aid to British in Greece



**FIGORELLO LAGUARDIA** is dressed for the north winds as he visits Fort Churchill, Canada, in his capacity as U. S. chairman of the permanent Joint Board of Defense.

## CIO Repudiates Mine, Mill Union Secessionists

**WATERBURY, Feb. 28.**—CIO Organization Director Allan S. Haywood, responding to an inquiry from President Reid Robinson of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Council, as the secessionists in this state call themselves, has no connections with the CIO.

Robinson's inquiry was prompted by claims the secessionists are making that they have some form of recognition. This is the second time the splitters were stripped of CIO blessing. The first time was Haywood's announcement that John J. Driscoll, their leader, was no longer on the CIO's staff.

A statewide wage contract conference of delegates representing

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The U. S. Government is considering a decision to bulwark Britain's tottering military rule in monarchist Greece with vast sums of money and military supplies. This proposal was laid before congressional leaders by President Truman and Secretary of State George C. Marshall at a secret White House conference Thursday, according to United Press.

In effect the President and Marshall warned that Britain was unable to keep the unpopular Greek dictatorship in power without additional outside intervention. Congressional leaders were also told support of British occupation in Greece was necessary to "stop the Russians."

Truman declined to comment in any way on the report, or on Greece at yesterday's conference. But it was likely that an important crystallization of American foreign policy is taking place.

### OPENS WAY

[Any decision to "bolster Britain" in Greece opens the way to whole-

**LONDON, Feb. 28.**—Britain and the United States are discussing measures to continue "aid to Greece" after British commitments expire March 31, a Foreign Office spokesman said today.

British assistance includes financial support of the Greek Army, which is preparing for a spring offensive against anti-fascist guerrillas in Thessaly and Macedonia.

sale attempts to stabilize British imperialist rule in the Middle East, and in India. This lets the American people in for a fine mess of pottage—contrary to every interest and tradition.]

["Bolstering" the Empire actually means to keep the rotten heap together, and try to sit on it at the same time.]

[The people of the Empire would face American guns and American ammunition in their quest for self-determination. That would be an ironical fate for a country that once freed itself from the British Empire.]

Congressional leaders were also told the U. S. wants to assume the bulk of Britain's commitments in Greece even at the risk of further damaging Soviet-American relations, United Press said.

Although no American troops will be sent to Greece directly, under the plan, Truman and Marshall urged immediate and large shipments of U. S. military equipment to the Greek terrorist regime.

Congressional leaders were informed that if British troops left Greece, the Greek people would make short shrift of the Greek government.

The hush-hush White House parley, at which all participants were sworn to secrecy, was called after receipt of an urgent British note.

British sources said the note was a plea for large-scale assistance. They added Britain would not be in a position to continue helping the Greek monarchy after March 31 if the U. S. doesn't give this aid.

Meanwhile British laborites and trade unionists have demanded Britain mend her economic fence by returning thousands of troops to civilian life instead of having them bulwark fascism from Palestine to India.



## WORLD BRIEFS

### KUOMINTANG ORDERS YENAN ENVOYS OUT

**THE KUOMINTANG** Government ordered the Chinese Communist delegations at Nanking, Shanghai and Chungking to return to Communist territory before March 5, shutting the door on any further peace negotiations. Communist spokesmen said this foreshadowed a military attack on Yen-an.

Sen. Harley M. Kilgore (DWVa). Previous listings of 9,000 Nazi Party members in this and other countries brings the total to around 42,000.

**THE UNITED NATIONS** Security Council postponed a decision on whether and when to call its atomic energy commission back into action. The next meeting on this question will be held Wednesday.

**THE BULGARIAN** Government denied as untrue a London report in the N. Y. Times that thousands of Russians are settling in Bulgaria.

**ARGENTINE** Ambassador to the Soviet Union, Federico Cantoni, prepared to leave Buenos Aires for Moscow on Sunday, United Press reported.

**NAZI PARTY** lists, including 880 in the U. S., were disclosed by

## 2 Jews Die in Haifa Bomb Blast

Two Jews were killed yesterday and two British soldiers were seriously wounded when bombs went off at Barclay's Bank in Haifa. Three explosions rocked the port area a few hours after British Navy men and troops forcibly took 1,350 Jewish immigrants ashore from the steamship Haim Arolosorov, which had sought to run the blockade.

Reports spread last night that the Jews would declare a general strike in Palestine Sunday.

The Haim Arolosorov grounded south of Haifa while British seamen were swarming aboard. While some immigrants jumped overboard, others fought. The navy men sprayed the immigrants with fire hoses and later used tear gas bombs.

The immigrants chanted, "We shall survive you yet" and "The day of reckoning will come." Among them were pregnant women. They wept as they walked along with children clinging to them.

## Act on Rent Rise Thursday

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

**WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.**—On Thursday the Senate Banking and Currency Committee is scheduled to take action on the Buck bill to raise rents 10 percent. Wire or write members of the committee demanding rent control be retained without boosts.

These are the members of the committee:

**Republican**—Charles Tobey, N. H., chairman; Douglas Buck, Del.; Homer Capehart, Ind.; Ralph Flanders, Vt.; Harry Cain, Wash.; John Bricker, Ohio; Joseph McCarthy, Wis.

**Democrats**—Robert Wagner, N. Y.; Burnet Maybank, S. C.; Glen Taylor, Idaho; John Fulbright, Ark.; Willis Robertson, Va.; John Sparkman, Ala.

## Tom Clark for 'Truman in 1948'

**MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Feb. 28.**—Attorney General Tom C. Clark tonight told a Democratic Party dinner that "America wants Harry Truman in 1948."

## Pollitt Urges New Britain-Dominion Cooperation

By George Tate

(See earlier story on page 3)

**LONDON, Feb. 28.**—New forms of economic cooperation between Britain and the dominions were urged by Harry Pollitt at the conference of British Empire Communist parties in London today.

"Britain, Canada, and Australia must be prevented from becoming the 49th, 50th and 51st states of America," he said.

This new cooperation must be directed against the consequences of the coming crisis in the United States and lead to closer economic relations with the Soviet Union and

new European democracies, Pollitt said.

The United States, while boasting and glorifying her private enterprise, is heading for economic crisis which will break out either at the end of this year or the beginning of 1948, he declared.

If many European countries have deliberately entered into trade agreements with the Soviet Union to insure against the consequences of American economic crisis, Pollitt asked, is it not time Britain also began to look ahead?

"We have labor governments in Britain, Australia and New Zealand and a liberal government in

Canada," he said. "Are we asking for the moon?"

Such a new relationship between Britain and the dominions will do three big things, he pointed out. It will bring Britain's planned economy into line with that of the Soviet Union and the new Europe. It will help the national liberation movements and assist such countries as India to abolish economic backwardness. It will help to weaken the imperialism of the United States.

Pollitt called on delegates from the dominions to fight for aid to Britain during her hour of need.

"If it is right and proper for the Slav peoples to talk of indestructible unity, it is nothing to be ashamed of if those of us who come from common stock and have a common language speak of unity in economic difficulties," he said.

Earlier, Tim Buck, the Canadian delegate, exposed the grip of American monopoly on Canada. It is now evident, he said, that U.S. finance capital plans to strip most of the fat off the British Empire. The dominions intend to team up with U.S. imperialism "so as to get a share of the feast on their mother's body," he declared.

## Trusts Are U.S. Dictators, IAM Head Tells Senate

By Federated Press

**WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.**—Big Business's claim that Congress must now act to take away the balance of power from labor is a fraud, president Harvey Brown of the International Association of Machinists told the Senate Labor Committee today.

Filing a detailed 25-page brief with the committee discussing the major goals of the so-called corrective legislation now under consideration, Brown told the group that industrial monopoly is the actual dictator in American economy.

Profits, he reminded the Senators, rose from \$4.2 billion in 1939 to \$9.9 billion in 1944, to \$12 billion in 1946. Wages adjusted to purchasing power, he said, rose considerably less during the period, from \$23.86 a week to \$39.52. And from 1909 to 1939, Brown said, labor's share of the value added by manufacturing dropped from 39.3 percent to 36.8 percent.

Denying Congress had a mandate to pass anti-labor laws, Brown asked that a labor-management-congressional committee be set up to study the various issues involved in the American labor situation and issue a report as background on which Congress might act.

The testimony of president Walter W. Cenerazzo of the American Watch Workers Union before the committee made it clear why the AFL executive council rejected his request for a charter at its recent Miami meeting.

Cenerazzo called on Congress "to regulate labor relations in the public interest by amending the Wagner Act to prevent industry-wide bargaining, giving federal mediators power of subpoena over labor and management and specifying con-

stitutional provisions international unions and locals must adopt.

Communists, he said, should be thrown out of the labor movement by law, and he said that should go for men "who follow the party line, whether they are members of the Communist Party or not."

Attacking the national union leaders who had preceded him as "the House of Lords of the American labor movement," Cenerazzo said:

"By the very nature of the positions they hold, William Green and Philip Murray are disqualified from giving you their honest, truthful opinion publicly of what they believe would bring about permanent industrial peace in America."

Sen. Joseph H. Ball (R-Minn), author of much anti-labor legislation being considered by the committee, protested mildly that Cenerazzo's anti-Communist program would mean "that you virtually have to suspend certain basic civil liberties if you go after the Communists."

But Ball complimented Cenerazzo on "the most constructive statement we have had yet from a union leader."

### Vote to Reject

### TVA Nominee

**WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.**—Rejection of Gordon R. Clapp as chairman of the Tennessee Valley Authority was recommended 7 to 5, by the Senate Public Works Committee today, but President Truman said he would stick by his nominee.

### Win Strike

**BOMBAY, Feb. 24 (ALN).**—The 48-day strike at the American-owned Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., here ended with the union winning recognition and all other major demands. Not only are the workers getting paid holidays and two months' bonus, but they even won back pay for the strike period.

The strike involved 11,000 factory workers and 100 clerks, many of whom had not had a single holiday for the past seven years. Besides taking on the company, the workers had to fight local police, who were treated lavishly to American dollars in return for firing on picketlines.

# House Guts Wage-Hour Law, 345-56

By Fred Vast

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—A combination of Republicans and Southern Democrats in the House today, by a vote of 345 to 56, tore the guts out of the Wage-Hour Law by torpedoing effective enforcement provisions. They claimed they were merely barring portal-to-portal claims, but a vocal minority pointed out the bill rips apart the Fair Labor Standards Act (Wage-Hour Law).

The measure, sponsored by Rep. John Gwynne (R-Ia.), now goes to the Senate. The Senate is expected to pass its own version, the Wiley bill, which differs only slightly from the House bill.

After spending some two hours today beating down amendments offered to limit the Gwynne bill, 229 Republicans and 116 Democrats voted "aye" while 50 Democrats, five GOPers, and one American Laborite voted "nay."

Backers of the measure revealed their real intent when they rejected a series of amendments which would have preserved existing wage and hour standards provided by law.

"It's dangerous," Rep. Gwynne declared at one point. "This amendment might nullify what we are trying to do."

## BILL INCLUDES

The defeated amendments sought to strike out the most objectionable features of the bill, which include:

- Defining "work" as whatever exists by "custom and practice." Thus an employer who pays his workers 35 cents an hour, pays no overtime or compensation for preparing and cleaning up machines, would be free to continue the "custom and practice" without penalty. This hurts unorganized workers primarily.
- Setting a one-year limitation

in which workers can file claims for back pay due them. If they file 366 days after the violation occurs under this provision they could collect no damages. Average limitation in the nation, according to state law, is over three years.

The Senate version would set a two-year statute of limitation.

Banning claims for back pay due on time spent in travelling, checking machinery, fixing and preparing machines, sharpening tools and other work benefitting the boss.

Establishing "good faith" as a convenient excuse for employers violating the law. The chiseling boss could not be penalized if he acted in "good faith" on the basis of an opinion expressed by a member of the Wage-Hour staff.

The bill also would wipe out all portal-to-portal suits for back wages now in court.

## HURTS BOSSES, TOO

Rep. Chet Holifield (D-Cal) warned the "custom and practice" clause could be used by chiseling employers which will hurt other employers as well as workers.

"The steamroller is working pretty good," he remarked as each amendment was defeated with an almost solid Republican vote.

Rep. Adolph Sabath (D-Ill), dean of the House, told the congressmen they were running roughshod over the masses of people.

Rep. Vito Marcantonio (ALP-NY) commented later that today's performance is more convincing proof of the need for a new party which acts in the interest of people.

# 'Big Four' Rubber Strike Looms

By Harry Raymond

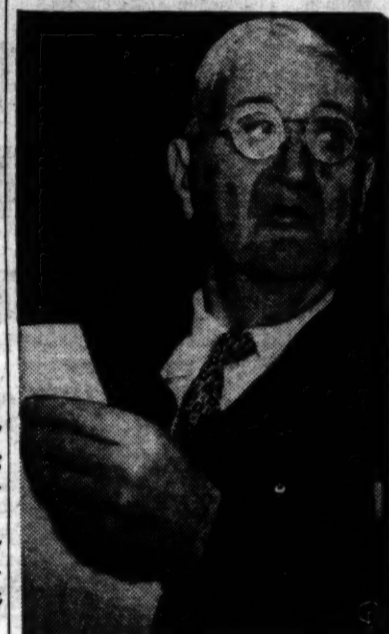
AKRON, Ohio—Whether 80,000 rubber workers—most of them employed in four big plants here—will take to the picket line in an industry-wide strike depends upon the next move of the companies.

Goodrich, Firestone, Goodyear and U. S. Rubber, the industry's big four, indicated they will not budge an inch. They dilly-dallied in negotiations with the United Rubber Workers, CIO, from October until late January. Then they flatly refused to negotiate on the union's 26-cent wage demand and called for a 90-day adjournment of collective bargaining.

Stalemated at the bargaining table, union president L. S. Buckmaster and the policy committee took the matter to the membership.

"WE HAVE DONE everything humanly possible to settle the wage issue through the process of collective bargaining," said Buckmaster. "It is now up to our membership to strengthen the hands of their bargaining committee by making the strike votes in each local union as decisive as possible."

The answer was an overwhelming strike vote in the Big Four locals.



PEEFING-TOM J. S. Remine is shown telling a Senate Committee a lurid tale of what he saw while spying on an alleged nudist party. He was the last of Sen. Kenneth McKellar's witnesses against David Lillenthal, Truman appointee to head the Atomic Energy Commission.

Behind this strike vote is a story of swollen profits for the rubber magnates and an actual decline in the real earnings of the tire and tube workers.

Although the 18½-cent increase won by the union a year ago jacked the average rubber worker's pay from \$49.72 to \$68.88 the rise in the cost of living has actually set his income back to \$49.09 in the terms of March 1946 dollars.

IT IS ESTIMATED that a 25 percent increase in the weekly paycheck would do no more than restore the rubber worker's purchasing power to the April, 1946 level.

Meanwhile, this same rubber worker, according to U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, has increased his productivity 300 percent between 1921 and 1940. In 1940 he produced as many tires and tubes for the boss in two hours as he did in eight hours in 1921. Along came the war. And man-hour production in the big rubber plants soared to new heights, with new gains being added during the last twelve months.

This all adds up to super-super profits

PROFITS AFTER TAXES for the Big Four companies in 1946 reach an estimated figure of more than \$104,300,000.

To understand what this figure means it is necessary to compare it with the war-time 1942-1945 average of \$54,200,000 a year and the 1936-1939 peace-time average of \$28,200,000.

## GE Poughkeepsie Workers Pick UE

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Feb. 28.—Workers of General Electric's plant here gave the CIO's United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers an election majority in Tuesday's balloting.

The AFL's Local 215, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, betting almost entirely on a heavy red-baiting campaign, mustered only 35 votes of the 246 valid ballots cast. The UE drew 128.

Many of the women workers, who are a majority in the plant, crumpled the election-eve red-baiting leaflets and threw them into the faces of AFL organizers.

## Users or Dealers?

DETROIT, Feb. 28.—The Michigan Secretary of State's Office said today it would investigate some 600 Detroiters who were able to buy three to 13 new automobiles each in the last six months. One individual bought 13 new cars.

The office said it would probe for evidence that the cars were re-sold at a profit without the individuals obtaining dealers' licenses.

Officials did not indicate how the new cars were obtained.

## Hold Income Tax By St. Louis Illegal

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 28.—Circuit Judge Robert J. Kirkwood today held the city income tax, calculated to put St. Louis on a pay-as-you-go basis, was "unconstitutional and null and void."

This is profiteering with a vengeance: a 90 percent increase in loot over the war-time take; a 270 percent over the peace-time haul.

But this is not all. There are millions more of concealed profits—sums transferred to contingency and reserve accounts in an attempt to mislead the public on net profits.

Firestone for instance reported a net profit of \$27,882,878 in its 1946 annual report. It also reported a hidden profit of \$5,000,000 earmarked in the contingency reserve account.

THROUGHOUT THE WAR the Big Four shifted millions upon millions into the reserve accounts. A Big Four total of \$57,000,000 was hidden away in this manner in 1945. The companies claimed the huge reserves were necessary to meet special reconversion needs and protect the corporations against post-war hardships. But at the end of 1945, when reconversion was completed, the combined reserve account of the companies was greater than it had ever been.

And the industry moves on its merry way according to Paul Litchfield, chairman of the Board of Goodyear, with the prospect of consumption of a million tons of rubber in 1947 and "bright prospects" over the next few years.

But the rubber moguls talked a different language at the bargaining table. They quibbled over last year's contract which provided for reopening wage negotiations this year "if conditions economically and in the industry warrant."

THE UNION ARGUED that spiraling living costs during the period of the contract were sound enough economic reasons to reconsider the wages question. The union pointed to the corporations' doubled profits and continuing fat profits after the war.

Discussion opened with the URWA presenting the 26-cent an hour wage demand. Corporation spokesmen limited themselves to discussing the language of the contract. Finally the Big Four agreed to take up the wage question in Cleveland on Jan. 27. But on that day they reneged, cited portal-to-portal suits as a refuge, and demanded a 90-day extension.

Bargaining ended here. The strike vote was rolled up quickly. The 18-man bargaining committee was ordered to meet with the URWA general executive board to "evaluate developments" and make recommendations to the local unions. Last minute attempts are being made to get the Big Four to negotiate on wages.

The deadline has arrived. It's the Big Four's next move.

# Legislative Scoreboard

| LABOR        |   |  |
|--------------|---|--|
| Number       | Subject of Bill   | What to Do   |
| S. 55        | Taft-Ball-Smith; "omnibus" anti-labor.  | Write committees to report all these bills unfavorably; protest to your Senators, Congressmen.                             |
| S. 133       | Ball; anti-industry-wide bargaining; to atomize collective bargaining.  | (Senate Labor Committee, House Labor, House Ways and Means Committees).  |
| S. 106       | Ball; outlaws union shop, union security.   |  |
| HR 725       | Case; revises Wagner Act; plus HR 17, 34, 68, 75—anti-strike.   |  |
| RENT CONTROL |   |  |
| S. 582       | Murray-Wagner; continues rent control as is to June 30, 1948.   | Write Senate Banking Committee report Murray-Wagner bill favorably.  |
| S. 451       | Hawkes; raises rents 15 percent, kills controls on new housing.   | Tell Senate and House committees to kill the rest.   |
| S. 95        | O'Daniel-Dirksen; kills rent control.   |  |
| HR 101       | Price; transfers controls to states, localities.  |  |
| HR 694       |   |  |
| SAVE OPA     |   |  |
| HR 1968      | Deficiency appropriation; passed by House without \$6,000,000 to operate OPA till June 30; other useful services killed by slash. | Write chairman Styles Bridges (Senate Finance Subcommittee) to restore \$200,000,000 cut by House from Truman request.     |
| INCOME TAX   |   |  |
| HR 1         | Knutson; cuts 20 percent for rich and poor alike.   | Knutson; cuts 20 percent for rich  |
| S. 348       | Murray-Engel; raises single man's exemption to \$1,000; married person to \$2,000.  | Ask Senate Finance, House Ways and Means Committees favorably report Murray-Engel bill; ask open hearings on Knutson bill. |
| HR 62        |   |  |
| ANTI-POLLTAX |   |  |
| HR 7         | Marcantonio-Pepper; abolish voting restrictions now imposed by polltax.   | Demand committees report bill out. (Senate Rules, House Administration).   |
| S. 94        |   |  |

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**ALBERT J. FITZGERALD**, president of the UE-CIO, is shown as he testified at Senate Labor Committee hearings in Washington. The electrical workers' leader told off Senators Taft and Ball and opposed union bans on Communists holding office because "I'm opposed to setting up second class citizenship."

### No Nudes Is Good Nudes to Post Office

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (UP).—The Post Office Department took steps today to make sure that it will be a happy, but fully clothed 1948.

Too many "naked ladies" slipped through the mails on 1947 calendars, and the Post Office today warned all postmasters not to let it happen again. It told them in a special bulletin to be more careful.

Frank J. Delany, the department's solicitor, said: "Officially, we don't like nude women."

Postmasters who come up against "questionable" calendars are directed to send them to Washington, where a special three-man board looks them over.

### King's Dinner Never Gets Spilled, Happy?

LONDON, Feb. 26.—If the 18 dining car waiters now serving the British royal family on their South African junket ever become unemployed, they may be able to find jobs as tightrope walkers.

For days before the royal visit, the waiters practiced walking along a narrow plank suspended in mid-air to perfect their balance, BBC reported.

## Raincoat Local Will Vote Today

Raincoatmakers, Local 20, International Ladies Garment Workers Union will cast ballots today for union officers and convention delegates. Voting at 1181 Broadway, will take place between 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Gabriel Levitt, candidate for chairman, heads the Rank and File ticket which includes for the executive board: Nathan Abrams, Joseph Pasternack, Samuel Goodkind, Joseph Posner, Max Friedman, Sam Lipman, Nathan Nankin, Benjamin Leiner, Fannie Kurinsky and Harry Grayevski. Delegates for the convention are Levitt, Abrams, Pasternack and Posner.

### Yugoslavs Protest US Envoy's Statements

The official Yugoslav Communist Newspaper Borba yesterday charged U. S. Ambassador Richard C. Patterson with making "irresponsible statements" about Yugoslavia and trying to poison U. S. Yugoslav relations.

# General Dress Strike Set for Wednesday

Arrangements for a general strike of 80,000 dress workers probably next Wednesday morning, were completed at a special meeting of the Dress Joint Board of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union Thursday night. Walkout plans got under way after a report by Manager Julius Hochman

that employers refused to better their offer of a raise of five percent against the union's demand for a 20 percent raise. Also turned down is the union's demand for an additional two percent payroll tax on top of the present welfare fund tax of three and one-half percent.

A special meeting at Hotel Diplomat 10:30 a.m. today of shop chairmen, local executive board members and active members, will hear a report on the situation from Hochman.

### CONTRACT EXPIRES

The agreement expired last night. Thursday's meeting of the Joint Board named a strike committee and a patrol committee.

But an actual walkout order is believed to be in abeyance pending new efforts over the weekend to reach a settlement.

Final strike arrangements are being

held for announcement at another special meeting of shop chairmen set for next Tuesday, 4 p.m. at Manhattan Center, unless there is an agreement by that time. The walkout order for the next morning is expected at that meeting.

Hochman has made it plain, however, that negotiations are broken off with representatives of dress associations representing 2,586 shops in the New York market area. They will not be resumed unless the employers have a better offer, he said.

### MAY NOT PICKET

Both Harry Uviller, impartial industry chairman, and Edward C. Maguire, chief of Mayor O'Dwyer's labor committee, are known to be making settlement efforts.

Meanwhile, it was indicated, the strike is not planned to take the form of meetings in strike halls or picketing. Strike halls are not be-

ing prepared. The workers may be asked to just sit in the factories but do no work, or they may be ordered home.

The possibility of an extension of the contract appeared to be ruled out by Hochman. Another indication was the ban on overtime work today. Saturday work requires permission from the union.

### EMPLOYERS MEET

The governing bodies of three employer associations — the Affiliated Dress Manufacturers, the National Dress Manufacturers Assn. and the Popular Prices Dress Manufacturers Group — met separately Thursday and approved the course of their negotiations.

Two other associations, with 1,500 contracting shops, are the United Popular Dress Manufacturing Assn. and the United Better Dress Manufacturers Assn.

If a strike takes place it will be the first major ILGWU walkout since 1933.

## Senate Group Votes Fund To Liquidate OPA by June 30

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—The Senate Appropriations Committee voted 8 to 5 today to allow OPA roughly \$17,000,000 to operate to June 30 and then close up shop. It voted 11 to 2 to force the entire Office of Temporary Controls out of business as of June 30. This office includes OPA, the Office of Civilian Production and the Office of War Mobilization and Reconstruction.

The committee rejected the immediate death sentence passed by the House under which OPA was called on to refund \$9,000,000.

The Senate committee recommended that the agency be allowed to keep the \$9,000,000. Then it approved an additional appropriation of \$7,991,815 to be used strictly for liquidation operations.

The committee action now is subject to Senate approval. Then the question must be sent back to the House.

## PAPERS' ANTI-SOVIET BIAS MENACES UN, SAYS DR. WARD

The anti-Soviet offensive in the American press is threatening the success of the United Nations, Dr. Harry F. Ward charged at a National Council of Soviet-American Friendship conference Thursday night.

"If the UN is to succeed," Dr. Ward declared, "it is time for the White House or the State Department to call upon our press for more responsibility in handling So-

viet news." He pointed out that day after day "scare stories of Soviet behavior" get front-page space in the newspapers, and the next day brief reports contradicting them are buried on inside pages. At the same time the newspapers carry editorials based on the original stories, he said.

Dr. Ward, who is professor emeritus of the Union Theological Seminary and a sponsor of the National Council, also attacked the United States "bipartisan" foreign policy.

"The gravest aspect of the approach to the Moscow conference," he said, "is the revelation by Mr. Acheson that the State Department accepts and is acting upon the Dulles-Vandenberg thesis of Soviet expansion and aggression. The reply to the Soviet Union admits it," Dr. Ward said. "It simply says Acheson was in a situation where he had to be frank."

This policy is a cloak for the defense of advancing economic imperialism, he pointed out.

"It is time for all non-partisan citizens to demand a constructive policy with concrete proposals to prevent the disaster that now threatens from the economic situation in England, Europe and Asia," he declared. The conference was called to launch the National Council's membership drive which begins today.

## Why LaGuardia Sued 'Telly' for Libel

Ex-Mayor LaGuardia has slapped a \$500,000 libel suit on the World-Telegram. He cited five "defamatory" editorials that "made him appear unworthy to be Mayor."

The editorials, published last Dec. 14, 18, 19, 21 and Jan. 8, attacked LaGuardia just in passing. They were primarily designed to aggravate the then-active post-election witch-hunt against Harlem Congressman Vito Marcantonio.

Attorneys for the World-Telegram, local unit of the Scripps-Howard news chain, told the Daily Worker the editorials contained nothing but facts and "fair comment."

The Ex-Mayor's complaint was filed Tuesday in the Bronx County Clerk's office. It charges that the editorials, playing on the unsolved Election Day murder of Joseph Scottorriggio, linked LaGuardia with every type of crime and criminal.

### BLAMED L.G. FOR CRIME

The editorials pictured LaGuardia as shutting his eyes to drug traffic, gambling, prostitution and organized murder in Harlem, the complaint said.

Frank Costello, the gambler and political scene-shifter, was described as Fiorello's friend and supporter. The editorials said that LaGuardia had "demoralized" the police by orders to "be especially tender" to-

ward lawbreakers in East Harlem. All city services were portrayed as in a state of ruin because of "complacency" and corruption during the LaGuardia administration.

It was recalled that the World-Telegram, the two Hearst papers in New York—the Journal-American and the Mirror—and the Daily News, had led the pack in the "get Marcantonio" assault. An attempt to link the re-elected Congressman to the Scottorriggio murder, was accompanied by demands that Congress refuse to seat him.

It was in the setting of a mass police occupation of East Harlem with arbitrary curfew imposed upon public establishments and arbitrary raids on hundreds of private homes, that the offending editorials were published.

### MURDEROUS HEADLINES

The editorials cited by the former Mayor were labeled: "Police, Politics and a Murder," the "LaGuardia Legacy," "Complacency Days Past," "Harlem's Share of a Legacy," and "Investigation Days Here."

Virulent example of hysteria-inciting style, was the Dec. 21 editorial, "Harlem's Share of a Legacy." It linked Scottorriggio, the re-election of "pro-Communist Rep. Vito Marcantonio," a drug ring, Costello and a revived Mafia by the simple process of listing them in one paragraph. Then it

vaguely connected them with LaGuardia by roundabout phrases like these:

"Back in 1939, when the World-Telegram and others called Mayor LaGuardia's attention to grave charges of drug traffic, gambling, prostitution and Mafia revival in Harlem, he decided against an investigation. Here's Harlem's part of the LaGuardia legacy."

A check of the 1939 reactionary press drive for a Harlem "clean-up," shows that it was just another deliberate hysteria campaign. "Get LaGuardia" and "boost circulation" were among its aims. It involved use of editorials loosely smearing the entire population of Harlem, in a manner very like that of the editorials the former Mayor now brands as defamatory.

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# Change the World

May 'Mainstream' Reach the Young and End Literary Darkness!

By Mike Gold

PRINTING PAPER is now a monopoly in the hands of the American monopolists. The workers' press, the people's voice, is slowly being "tractored out." Thus, we have a fascist censorship here, too, except that it is hidden behind the "normal" working of capitalist economics.

Thus, *Mainstream* the new literary quarterly, is born into a bad time for such magazines. Every copy it sells, for example, causes it to lose 10 to 15 cents. Handsomely bound and printed, a queer question might occur in the mind of a bookkeeper, "why try for circulation when it only makes you lose more money?"

Despite all handicaps and sacrifices, there must and shall be a truth-telling press in America, as there was in the lands occupied by the Nazis. A press dedicated to socialism, to the salvation of mankind!

*Mainstream* looks pretty good to me as such a champion in the literary field. The new magazine's first issue shows fight, and intellect, and the artistic color and skill a literary organ must have, or it is quite worthless, and beside the mark.

"LIVING LITERATURE in our epoch will be created only by writers who identify themselves with the people, who ally themselves with the working class, the main force for democratic and cultural advance," says a programmatic editorial that leads the issue.

Several good short stories, and some poems, have the proletarian flavor we almost lost in the days of bourgeois Browderism.

A young Negro writer, Lance Jeffers, has his first bitter tale printed here. It's a terrible, true picture; and Thomas Bell has a first class tale of his own Slovak steelworkers.

"The fundamental character of this magazine is determined by its allegiance to the Marxist science of history, culture and human progress which in our age has inspired such writers as Gorky, Sholokhov, Barbusse and Aragon, Nexo, and O'Casey and Dreiser," says the editorial.

ALONG THIS LINE, *Mainstream's* first issue makes good with first-class critique like Theodore Ward's comment on Five Negro Novelists, Lawson's article on Parrington, Arnaud D'Usseau's essay on the theatre, Morris Schappes on Sholom

Aleichem, Joseph Bernstein on Stendhal.

But enough: no magazine can be reviewed in this manner. You have to read through it yourself, tasting, weighing, enjoying it. You have to be hit yourself by some powerful sardonic poem on liberal phonies like Dalton Trumbo's, or that prison diary of a Czech journalist whom the Nazis killed.

Important above all detail is that we again have a literary magazine for the young students, writers and literary-minded.

Here has been a serious vacuum for years. The Trotskyites have filled it with their malice and nihilism. They have poisoned a generation that we neglected, poisoned as we were ourselves with Browderism.

I used to think, out of my own experience, that the time of Coolidge had been about the worst for a literary Communist to suffer through.

We were not much persecuted then. We were only snubbed and ignored. We simply didn't exist. What did exist, of course, a reality worthy of admiration by liberal and conservative, was the permanent American prosperity Coolidge and Hoover had brought.

So most writers wrote for the new-rich, titillated them with sex like Cabell and Hemingway, or with Park Avenue mysticism and antique furniture like Thornton Wilder's and Joseph Hergesheimer's.

IT WAS A NEGATIVE time, shallow and flimsy. But today is infinitely worse. The literature has become positive. It is Trotskyism, and spiritual nihilism, aggressive for evil, hating humanity, instilling hatred for the Soviet Union, Fear, horror and confusion, also the atmosphere of a new Bartholomew's Eve, is the prevailing tone of the Koestlers and Valtins, the *Partisan Review*.

Milton Howard dissects this new evil thing, this gangrenous literature of expiring capitalism, in a notable essay.

Let us hope the socialist realism from whose platform he judges the literary lags will not fail to reach the minds of American youth. And that *Mainstream* will succeed, despite finances, in bringing light into the intellectual darkness now spreading over the colleges and bookstores of transition America. Roll down to the great ocean, *Mainstream*, bearing a new navy of young talent on your tide!



**A Duck in the Snow:** Or is it a gander that Kathleen Hilbert, of Philadelphia, is taking down the hill? Anyway they're having a lot of fun.



"Let's not talk shop."

## LESSONS OF WAR PERSIST

By James S. Allen

PERHAPS THE REACTIONARIES thought it would be easy sailing after the Republican victory last fall. If so, they failed to see their own inner weaknesses, the

many obstacles in their path and the tenacious anti-fascism among the people.

Some of these things are now becoming more evident. Sharp differences are appearing among the Republicans themselves. The bipartisan foreign policy team does not seem as solid as it appeared six months ago. And most important, the hysteria that reaction attempted so desperately to arouse against the Communist Party, the unions and all progressives is simply not forthcoming.

It seems that progressive circles tended to overestimate the strength of American imperialism, perhaps seeing only its physical assets without appreciating the significance of the emergence of American imperialism as the prime power at a time when imperialism no longer has a future. Also there is a marked tendency in progressive circles to overestimate the strength of reaction within the country, while underestimating the strength of the democratic forces.

These are largely disoriented at the moment, and remain to a large extent inarticulate politically. But the resistance to reaction operates in a broad field, and in many ways.

RED-BAITING is an old subject, but it is worth constant attention. What is new about it now is not that it is being used by reaction but that it is not as effective as it used to be.

The outstanding example is the Lillenthal affair. If anything, this demonstrates the failure of the red-baiting tactic, the principal weapon used by the extreme reactionaries against Lillenthal.

Few people were misled by the use of the Big Red Stick. In the midst of the turmoil over Lillenthal, the Columbia Broadcasting System polled the men in the street and civic leaders in a number of major cities on the subject of the "Communist Peril." The general consensus can be summarized in one sentence: "Anyone they don't like, they call a Communist."

A REAL RESIDUE of understanding among the people has been left by the war against fascism. It is at least understood that red-baiting is a weapon used by reaction to attain objectives it cannot or dare not admit politically. It's politics, many say, using the term in its underhanded, sly meaning.

It is not so easy to blot out the experience of the great liberating

war. The terror of the entire Hitler era is not easily forgotten. The role of the Soviet Union in winning the war and saving American lives is remembered.

To be sure, this understanding does not yet reach into world affairs. It is not yet grasped that the alarm over Soviet expansion is raised to cover up oil-grabbing by the American trusts in the Middle East, or the taking over of the German war monopolies, or tightening the grip of the American trusts on Canada, and similar objectives elsewhere.

Nevertheless, red-baiting is becoming somewhat worn.

THERE WERE SOME weak sisters here and there, but the red-baiting drive in the labor movement has not routed the Left Wing, nor split it from the liberal center, nor splintered the CIO.

The real issues of livelihood and security, of defense of democratic rights, of assuring a stable and democratic peace cannot be drowned in a flood of red-baiting. Despite all the fanfare, the Un-American Committee which is persecuting the courageous anti-fascist and Communist Gerhart Eisler has thus far been unable to start the national red-hunt it is so desperately trying to incite.

I do not mean to dismiss lightly the reactionary world role of American imperialism in the present period, or the menace of fascism arising within the country. These must be seen in all aspects if they are to be fought. But it is also necessary to appreciate fully the obstacles in the way of reaction, the fissures and weaknesses within the imperialist front. And, above all, we must not underestimate the tremendous democratic forces at hand waiting to be organized and led against the growing menace of reaction.

### WORTH REPEATING

"A brighter dawn awaits the human day...  
"When poverty and wealth, the thirst of fame,  
"The fear of infamy, disease and woe,  
"War with its million horrors, and fierce hell,  
"Shall live but in the memory of time..."

Shelly: Queen Mab

"What art thou, Freedom?...  
"For the labourer thou art bread,  
"And a comely table spread,  
"From his daily labour come,  
"In a neat and happy home.  
"Thou art clothes and fire and food  
"For the trampled multitude..."

Shelly: The Mask of Anarchy.

## Press Roundup 'Telly' Okays Hoover Plan For Germany

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM approves of Hoover's plan to rebuild a strong reactionary Germany. It likes his proposal that relief costs be repaid and "should have priority over any reparations claims." The Scripps-Howard paper believes this open dumping of the Potsdam agreement "should be stipulated in the German treaty about to be drafted in Moscow. Another Hoover idea which appeals to the *Telegram* is his criticism of the "political restrictions" against the Nazi war criminals! "which limit to manual labor some 1,900,000 persons."

THE TIMES finds the Hoover report "a characteristic combination of practical humanitarianism and humanitarian practicality." Anything associated with the man famed for ten thousand Hoovervilles is humanitarian, the *Times* believes.

THE HERALD TRIBUNE says Hoover's report made "valuable contributions to this country's understanding of its occupation responsibilities." It commends especially Hoover's conclusion that Germany must be made a part of "western civilization." Chamberlain tried that once.

The Trib likes Truman more and more. It believes his standing "has unquestionably been growing... from the low point which it reached in the course of the distressful summer and fall." When Truman crosses every t and dots every i of the Republican program, the Republican Tribune will be still more pleased.

THE JOURNAL - AMERICAN doesn't like foreign relief—except to our enemies as Hoover proposes.

THE SUN agrees "the sum of \$475,000,000 is not petty cash." That is the amount to be shelled out to rebuild a western bloc Germany. But it is reassured by Hoover's proposal that this be paid for by German exports, instead of reparations to the victims of Nazi aggression.

DAILY MIRROR reports that "Herbert Hoover has become nutritional doctor of a sick and starving human race." But the Hearst tabloid reminds the government that Russia, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Albania and almost any other country which fought on our side in the war is not part of the human race Hearst has in mind. So the *Mirror* agrees that relief should go to our enemies—not to our friends.

THE DAILY NEWS is pleased as punch with William Green and David Dubinsky for agreeing to amendments to the Wagner Act. "We don't think the reforms they (Green and Dubinsky) concede to be desirable are all the reforms that should be adopted."

PM's Max Lerner says "If the Republican majority had deliberately decided to smash our American prosperity, it could not have gone about it more effectively than it is now doing in its blindness." This is what the GOP budget cut plans mean.

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## An Amazing Stand

MANY Catholics, we think, will be amazed at the opposition of the Catholic Welfare Council to the Austin-Mahoney bill in the state legislature to outlaw racial discrimination in education. The Council claims that to outlaw racial discrimination interferes with "educational freedom."

We suspect certain sections of the Catholic hierarchy are really opposed to the measure because it aims at opening the doors of colleges and universities of a non-sectarian character to Catholics, as well as to Jews and Negroes, without discrimination.

These sections of the hierarchy would seem to prefer that Catholic youths be permitted to get their education only in Catholic institutions.

### Narrow Policy

We have no quarrel with Catholic institutions for those who want them. But we insist no religious group has the right to try to block, because of narrow group considerations, the battle to end the disgraceful religious and racial barriers to the education of our youth.

It would be well for the Catholic Welfare Council to remember that discriminatory practices are all of a piece. The Council fought hard for passage of the state FEPC because it recognized that job discrimination hit the Catholic worker, as well as the Jewish and Negro worker. But this bias against the Catholic worker will not be finally licked until all phases of discrimination are tackled successfully.

The Welfare Council made public its opposition to the Austin-Mahoney bill this past week because of reports that Gov. Dewey and his legislative leaders were yielding to the immense popular pressure on its behalf. The governor had originally intended to prevent passage of all anti-bias legislation this year.

We think the present version of the Austin-Mahoney measure has a serious weakness in that the provision for removal of tax exemption to institutions that discriminate is eliminated. We would urge it be amended to include this penalizing clause.

And we think it can be forced through the legislature through popular pressure despite the stand of the Catholic Welfare Council which, we are certain, does not represent the view of most Catholics.

## The Teachers Don't Like It

THE teachers don't like the proposed Dewey program for permanent pay. They don't like it because it resurrects the old "spoils system," which the teachers thought they had buried many years ago. It does this through the "promotion" system for increased pay.

This system puts the teachers at the mercy of the supervisory staffs.

Since one of the factors counting for "promotion" is "community service," it is also a weapon for compelling teachers to work without pay in playgrounds, recreation centers, etc., in addition to their regular school work.

Like all Dewey programs, it offers much on appearance and little in performance. When you analyze the wage figures, you find it grants nothing to the hard-pressed teachers now; and, in New York City, at least, it sets up minimum pay schedules that will, in the long run, actually reduce salary standards.

This is part of the depression psychology of the Dewey Administration. The Governor figures a depression is in the offing, and when it comes he will be able to force present teacher pay down to the levels offered in his program.

We have our doubts whether Dewey will be able to put the program through, considering the aroused mood of the teachers.



## Letters From Our Readers

### An Opinion On Assimilation

New York, N.Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I don't agree with E. Horachek's letter in the Feb. 14 Daily Worker. The letter implies that Lenin said assimilation is one of the greatest motivating forces in the change from capitalism into socialism, and that we should not do our utmost to develop Jewish education, but instead submit willingly to assimilation and lose of our national character.

Lenin never said that the abolition of national oppression and the fusion of the interests of nationalities into a single whole is equivalent to the abolition of national differences.

By assimilation, Lenin meant assimilation of the proletariat of all nationalities, politically, economically and ideologically, to work for their liberation from capitalism, without the loss of national culture and heritage.

It is our job to see to it that as many Jews as possible know about their heritage. I think that Sylvia Lerner's suggestion regarding a series of articles in The Worker is a step in the right direction. AL WASSERMAN.

### Bring Communist Program to the People

Brooklyn, N.Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The Communist Party should bring its program to the people in the factories, in the homes, on the radio and signboard displays. We must use the most popular and effective manner of doing this in line with modern times.

We must in plain, simple language teach ourselves and the people what socialism means to them in the way of meat and bread, clothes to wear, a place to live, education, better health, longer life, happiness, freedom from worry and insecurity, steady work at union wages at the job they like and everlasting peace.

We owe it to ourselves, our children and our friends to see that the fruits of their labors are all theirs. SAMUEL KRATZMAN.

The Editors welcome your opinions and contributions to this page. Due to lack of space letters should be limited to 150 words so as to permit the printing of as many as possible. Please include full name and address with your letters. We will withhold names upon request.

## PACIFIC COAST LABOR

By John Williamson

THE DEFEAT of the Roosevelt democratic coalition forces last November in the states of Washington and California no doubt had the same general roots as throughout the nation. After a trip through these two states, it seems to me, however, that the Achilles heel of that coalition, with its previous progressive delegation in Congress, was the distinct weakness of its trade union base.

Clearly, such a people's movement had labor support. However, this labor support, in the main, came as a result of the general Roosevelt sentiment in the ranks of labor, and not as a result of the development of a consistent political consciousness or organization in the unions. Without this, the death of FDR removed the motivating factor that activated labor in the electoral struggles. This neglect to build a trade union political apparatus (except in the smaller CIO) was a major weakness of the progressives, including the Communists.

THE PACIFIC COAST has a comparatively well organized union movement. In Seattle and San Francisco this has established traditions of struggle and progressivism. In Los Angeles, the trade union movement has really been built in the past decade.

The AFL is by far the decisive section numerically. Without influencing it, any concept of a broad anti-fascist peoples coalition, is illusory. In fact, continued failure to win the AFL for progressive policies threatens the very life of the CIO and everything else progressive.

The neglect of AFL workers over the years by the progressives, including the Communists, left the Pacific Coast AFL in the stranglehold of the reactionary Dave Beck machine of the Teamsters. Ahy assisting him and aspiring for his title is Harry Lundberg of the SUP.

Nevertheless, events are beginning to indicate that not only the AFL membership but sections of the conservative AFL leadership—for a variety of reasons—are willing to challenge and break this stranglehold of Beck upon the AFL. This is particularly noticeable in California, but the same possibilities undoubtedly exists in Washington. Such a challenge to Beck should be greeted by every AFL member and receive his support.

THE STRUGGLE for wage and other economic demands; the urgency of defeating anti-labor

legislation in Congress and the state legislature; the desire for greater democracy within the unions and opposition to the special fund drives of Beck, Lundberg Co. to "drive the CIO off the Coast," the dissatisfaction of the Building Trades and Metal Trades Councils at being forced to play "second fiddle" to Beck, are issues around which this Beck stranglehold will undoubtedly be broken.

While the progressives should be ready to join with anyone on one or more of these issues, the real decisive force to advance the interest of the AFL on the Pacific Coast are the rank and file members and local leaders. Their activation through increased attendance at local meetings, building up of strong union grievance machinery, defense of every demand and the fight to settle each grievance, unity with other labor and progressive forces to defeat the Republican stooges of the trusts in state and city governments—these are some of the most effective means of having the AFL play its rightful role in the Pacific Coast states.

THIS EMPHASIS on winning the AFL to the progressive camp in no way underestimates the CIO, which is much smaller than the AFL in both states—especially in Washington. Those CIO unions that are themselves substantial, occupy an important role nationally. This is especially true of the CIO lumber, longshore, maritime, fishery and steel unions. To fulfill their role as CIO unions and simultaneously help defeat the drive of the reactionary Beck, Lundberg, Brown and Weston machines against them, many unionists believe it is decisive that every CIO union should be an outstanding example of

1. Ability to consolidate themselves and have the united support of their membership, as a result of securing the best conditions, speediest settlement of grievances, maximum democracy and involvement of the rank and file in all activities, and defeat of all attempted Red-baiting.

2. Initiative in taking a stand on all general political issues—such as defeat of anti-labor legislation, Big Three unity, organization of political action activity, rent con-

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# Empire Communists Debate Colonial Question

By George Tate

LONDON, Feb. 28 (By Cable).—"The present upsurge of the colonial peoples transcends in splendor, magnitude and strength that which followed the last war," Indian delegate Dr. Adhikari yesterday told British Empire Communist parties' conference.

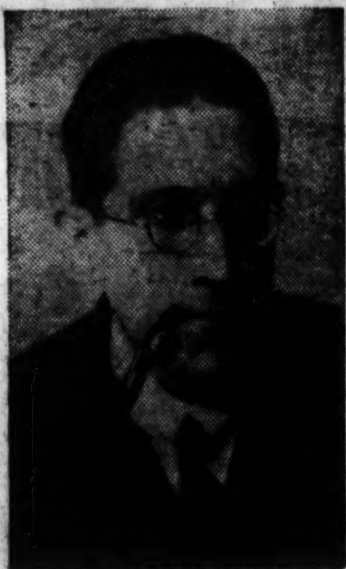
But no advance has ever been secured without struggle, he pointed out. The crisis of imperialism poses sharp alternatives for both the British and Indian peoples—life or death, empire or socialism, he said.

"The opportunity is there for the Communist parties if they play their parts correctly and solve the question in such a way that not only will the colonies be free, but the peoples of the capitalist countries will be set on the way to socialism," he said.

Indian capitalists don't want to lead the people to independence as they hope for agreement with the imperialists. Imperialists, knowing that they couldn't suppress the national movement with arms and the support of the princes, sought an alliance with the Indian bourgeoisie to split the national movement, he declared.

## CHARTER OF RIGHTS

One of the main questions in Thursday's discussion was the proposal in British Communist leader R. Palme Dutt's report that while immediate independence should be demanded for India,



R. PALME DUTT  
Asks Rights for Colonial Peoples

Burma, Ceylon, Egypt and Palestine, a charter of democratic rights should also be demanded for the less developed colonies such as those in tropical Africa.

Some speakers opposed this differentiation but in his reply Dutt pointed out that the "principle of self-determination was not in question. It was a tactical question of determining the next step in each case," he said. The conference would be guilty of empty

phrasemongering if it was satisfied with abstract formulas.

Dutt said no one would pretend that there was in tropical Africa any parallel development to the national movement in India, for example. The first task is the creation of the possibility of popular organization.

## U.S.-BRITISH BLOC

He warned against the idea of abandoning the fight against British imperialism in order to turn against U. S. imperialism. The fight must be waged against the Anglo-American reactionary bloc, he declared. He agreed to a proposal that the conference should adopt a general declaration of aims but stressed that action would be the responsibility of the individual parties and peoples. His report was adopted.

Earlier, S. Mikunis, representing the Palestine Jewish Communists, declared his complete agreement concerning Palestine's future, which the delegate from the Arab National Liberation League, E. Touma, presented the previous day.

Communists in Palestine, Mikunis said, appeal to the United Nations to apply the terms of its charter to Palestine, and to declare it free and order the evacuation of the British occupation forces.

## Hits Merger of Western Zones Coast Labor

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Marshall Vassily Sokolovsky, Soviet member of the Allied Control Council for Berlin, charged yesterday that merger of the British and American occupation zones is a "short-sighted policy aiming to dismember and abolish the independence of the German state." His statement was published in Berlin.

He declared the agreement violates Control Council principles and can lead to a source of "disquiet" threatening the peace. The agreement, he pointed out, does not provide for liquidation of Germany's economic war potential, delivery of reparations, or liquidation of monopolies.

The economic program for the merged zones "obstructs the carrying out of the program for economic reconstruction of Germany as a whole," Sokolovsky said.

we should do in the case of shortage in production.

Although Hoover had stressed in his prepared statement that "the claims on the generosity of the U. S. come to a very large sum" he reversed himself in effect by assuring Judd that the total relief proposed "is a very small part of our usual surplus."

In addition to the \$350 million requested by Truman, Hoover mentioned the half billion dollars he asked for Germany. Two other funds to which the U. S. will be asked to contribute, he said, are for the UN Refugee Organization to look after displaced persons and the UN child-feeding program. He urged that all U. S. contributions be distributed in accordance with these restrictions.

trol, lower taxes, support to the special demands of the Negro and Mexican workers within the Unions, and other policies in accord with the national CIO convention resolutions.

3. Unity on CIO policies and activities, irrespective of political affiliation, color or creed of the membership.

Simultaneously they must appeal for joint action to the leaders and members of the AFL on issues that confront both organizations.

THROUGH such activities, the CIO will distinguish itself, and thus win sympathy from the AFL rank and file and secondary leadership. This will make it easier to defeat the union-busting activities of Beck and Lundeberg.

The Pacific Coast labor movement has a special responsibility to the rest of the country to speed the defensive struggles of all labor against the growing attacks of the monopolies. United labor action and the organizing of a mass fighting movement on the political field dedicated to the principles of peace, Big Three Unity, defense of the trade unions, and Roosevelt's Bill of Economic Rights, is the need of the day on the Coast. Historically the initiative has come from the Pacific Coast on many progressive battles. It is urgently needed once more today.

The Communists on the Pacific Coast are alert to these problems and are working hard to contribute toward their solution.

## Hoover Asks Strings to Relief

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the relief money would be manipulated for political purposes. But Hoover went much further. His nine points included:

- "No obligation or promise should be entered into with any country for any specific amount of relief," Hoover said. "The distribution must be a month-to-month program," which, he asserted, "could be ended whenever we decided the recipient countries were not complying with our conditions."

Under this point he mentioned "peoples whose governments are said by our government not to have kept their promises or agreements with the U. S." He also cited, as reason for terminating relief, practices of "small countries which are maintaining military forces far beyond any necessity for police purposes."

He suggested a reasonable size for an army was "not more than one half of one percent of the population."

Although he disavowed the intention of denying food to starving people merely because of the action of their officials, he said that "at some point American patience . . . is likely to become exhausted."

Another vital condition, Hoover said, was that "no relief should be given where either commodities or cash are going out of that country for reparations or the purchase of arms." Thus Italy would receive no relief unless Yugoslavia and Greece agreed to defer reparation payments due her. Hungary would get no relief unless Poland waived reparations.

The Hoover plan thus chooses to ignore that Yugoslavia, Greece and Poland are in dire need of relief precisely because Italian and Hungarian troops aided Nazis in devastating their lands. In many instances reparations are essential to prevent starvation in war-ravaged countries.

## REPAYMENTS

- Nations receiving relief should obligate themselves to repay that relief, Hoover said, either to the U. S. or to a fund to be established by the United Nations. The repayment should come before any reparations. Money to repay the relief loan should be collected by a tax of 5 to 10 percent on all exports to the recipient countries, to be paid in the currency of the countries receiving such exports.

- Nations receiving reparations from relief countries should be asked to defer reparations until

THE SAN FRANCISCO NEWS  
Thursday, August 13, 1931

**Ways of the World**  
A CHAMPION OF THE UN-EMPLOYED: Curious Story About President Hoover, Appeal for a Special Session of Congress, Putting Responsibility Where It Should Be.  
BY JOHN D. BARRY

(Over evening but Saturday at 8:30, over KFA, Mr. Barry gave a 15-minute talk on World Events.)

"PRESIDENT HOOVER. I know very well. One day, at the Department of Commerce, I had an intimate talk with him. The subject of Russia came up. Hoover said: 'To tell the truth, I don't know the ambition of my life is to crush out Soviet Russia.'"

"I said, 'Even if you start this war and this thing.'"

"Hoover said, 'Yes.' This statement was made by Benjamin C. Marsh, secretary of the People's Lobby in Washington, D.C., who was with the president of the People's Lobby, Prof. John Dewey, greatly admired and loved throughout the country."

Marsh came to San Francisco in a hurry and went out in a hurry to keep lecture engagements elsewhere. In the address where he used the story about Hoover he gave me the impression that he was saying things he'd repeatedly said before and was likely to say again. By now he'd probably

**A DEAD GIVEAWAY:** This clipping from the San Francisco News shows what was Hoover's deepest wish when he was President of the United States. Now he wants to rebuild Germany in order to carry out the job which Hitler flunked.

these relief costs are paid, Hoover said. This proviso was obviously aimed at the Soviet Union, which should receive under present treaties reparations from Finland, Bulgaria, Rumania, Italy and Hungary.

Reparations to the Soviet Union from Austria and Germany are on the agenda for early discussion between the powers. Soviet claims for reparations have been based on the needs of the Ukraine and Byelorussia for depredations caused by the Nazis and their allies.

## U. S. SUPERVISION

- No relief should be granted until American officials have visited the countries and examined needs on the spot. American officials must be given the run of the country to supervise relief distribution, Hoover indicated.

- "Relief from our contribution to these funds should be limited to U. S. products and transportation," Hoover said. "We should not use American dollars to purchase elsewhere."

Rep. Walter Judd (R-Minn) questioned this point, asking what

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## Tonight Manhattan

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DANCE TO MUSIC of Cab Marcos and his Caballeros at Lower Manhattan Section, Communist Party Headquarters. See box ad.

AT BELLA DODD'S. Let the good times roll for newlyweds, Leo and Esther Sauberman. Sat., March 1, 9 p.m., until 11 p.m. by "After Hours." 1406 Lexington Ave., Steve Kingston Club, CP.

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## Tonight Brooklyn

SOMETHING SPECIAL—Dance to the rhythm of Joe Gold's band. Surprises, fun. 8:30 p.m., at 375 Saratoga Ave., near Prospect Pl. Sponsored by American Labor Party, 23d AD. Sub. \$1.

## Tomorrow Manhattan

COME AND SEE Claude Marchant and Josephine Primice, noted artists, in West Indian folk songs and dances at Solidarity House, 124 W. 124th St. Lodge 691, IWO. RICHARD DYER-BENNETT, Sunday, March 2, 2:30 p.m., at Central High School of Needle Trades. Auspices: Metropolitan Music School. Admission \$1.00, Fed. tax 20c—\$1.20. Call TR 4-4733.

BELLA V. DODD, people's attorney, discusses "Wall Street's Congress," Sunday, March 2d, 8:15 p.m. Dancing after 10:30. Henry Forbes Section, 201 Second Ave. Admission 25 cents.

"ALL MY SONS"—current Broadway hit, discussed by its playwright Arthur Miller, and Samuel Shlien, Literary Editor, Daily Worker. Chairman, Louis Lerman. Jefferson School, 575 6th Ave. (16th St.) 8:30 p.m. 50c.

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"PALESTINE" discussion by Moses Miller at Haym Solomon Lodge, 2328 B'way, near 85th St., at 8:15 p.m., admission 25 cents. "Jewish Life" Forum Sunday evening.

## Tomorrow Bronx

DAVE GORDON, Secretary of the New York State Education Comm. of the Communist Party, will speak on "Congressional Attack Against American Labor." 125 E. 170th St., near Grand Concourse. Dancing, and refreshments—8:15 p.m. Sub. 25c.

## Tomorrow Queens

HOW TO STOP THE ATOMIC PLOTTERS! Hear Joe Clark, of the Daily Worker Foreign Department, discuss "Foreign Policy for Peace." Questions, dancing. Astoria C.P., 30-47 Steinway Ex. 8:15.

## Coming

BORO HALL ALP forum. Trends in Art Today. Speakers: Ad Reinhardt and Robert Gwathmey, 40 Clinton St., at 8:30 p.m., Monday, March 3d. Admission free.

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# Chilean Delegate Red Hot CCNY Fan

The hottest CCNY basketball fan in town is 38-year-old Oscar Saravia, a 38-year-old Naval Attache of the Chilean U. N. delegation.

When the final gavel sounds out at Lake Success, Saravia hustles over to the City gym just to catch the local lads in their practice

session — and he hasn't missed a single one of their games this season.

Saravia thinks Holman is the greatest basketball player who ever lived. Saravia himself is a former basketball player with 18 years of Chilean competition in high school and college at Valparaiso.

"I read one of Holman's basketball books while in the maritime service four years ago," he said. "It touched off a long correspondence which was filled with basketball matters. When my ship docked in New York I immediately sought out my friend."

Saravia insists that the

Beavers rate with the greatest team in the country and that if they get into the National Tournament "they probably will win it."

"I'd like to take them all back to Chile along with the Senor Holman," he said. "Their speed, it is marvelous and their ball handling and finesse, I have never seen anything like it."

Saravia has one other basketball team he'd like to take a look at, just because it's from Valparaiso, Ind.

"They say the Valparaiso teachers are fine big boys, bigger than we have down in Valparaiso, Chile," he said. "But I still like City College the best. They are wonderful!"



## On the Scoreboard

By Lester Rodney

### Explanation

THE SPORT PAGES are already crowded with the early exploits of fabulous rookies who outdo Babe Ruth in his prime beneath the Southern skies while the veterans calmly start bringing legs and arms out of their winter coma.

Yes, 'tis spring—down along the Florida Gulf, in Catalina Island with the Cubs, in Phoenix, Arizona, with the Giants, Havana with the Dodgers and Puerto Rico with the Yankees. From now till the early days of October when the World Series haughtily proclaims baseball still king over the encroachment of football, the papers will be filled with the doings and darings of the men in knickerbockers.

The Daily Worker sport page is a little behind the parade. The cost of sending correspondents down with the ball clubs for the early training is somewhat on the prohibitive side for a people's paper. So for the nonce we are restricted to chewing over the reports in other papers and the gaudy roster issued by the clubs.

We know well that baseball fans can grow impatient with wisdom on the Yankees, Dodgers and Giants from an office on 13 St. Fans like to know just how Hartung swings and misses, exactly how Pete Reiser is throwing the ball, and how Bobby Brown is learning to go back for a fly hit directly over his head. We know because we're fans ourselves.

So our readers will have to forgive us our omission until March 15. At that time we've arranged to get the daily dispatches of friend C. E. Dexter, veteran baseball reporter who will be in Havana. That date will also mark the beginning of the games between Montreal and the parent Dodgers, which is in effect the beginning of the historic major league tryout for Negro star Jackie Robinson. And they do tell us that once the season starts the Daily Worker's coverage of baseball, while technically behind the other papers in some respects, is more interesting in its interviews with players and behind the scenes stuff right from the playing fields.

### Meanwhile

YOU DON'T HAVE to be down South to know that there's a controversy going on about some of the good salaries being paid to the super stars of the Feller, Williams type. Main objectors are Sam Breadon of the Cards, Clark Griffith of the Senators and Herb Pennock of the Phillies. They are moaning "high salaries are ruining the financial structure of the game."

It's no state secret that baseball had the most lucrative year in its history last season. All attendance marks were smashed and unprecedented profits rolled up by the magnates. The Red Sox, with their first pennant in 20 years, upped salaries and gave baseball's number one slugger, Ted Williams, a sum fairly commensurate with his drawing power. They were the targets of the first howls by Breadon and Co.

Not too well publicized was the answer of Eddie Collins, general manager of the Red Sox and an ex-super star who played for peanuts in his days. "I'm sick and tired of hearing the bleats of Breadon, Griffith and Pennock," he said. "We're paying Ted Williams' salary, not they. They're yelling about salaries being within range. His salary is within range as far as we're concerned." And finally, "Tell them to mind their own business."

Bill Veeck of Cleveland put it just as succinctly. "I don't want these guys to try to tell me what Feller is worth in money to the Cleveland team," he snapped. "He's the kind of star and box office draw who brings back his salary and much more to us—and to the rest of the teams in the league too."

### Musial

THE ANGUISH IN Breadon's complaints about high salaries takes on added meaning when one considers the case of Stan Musial. Stan was the most valuable player in the National League, led the Cards to a pennant and victorious World Series and is considered by some the finest ball player of them all. For all this he worked for a shameful \$14,000. He is now a holdout because Breadon won't get off his money bag to the extent of \$28,000.

So when Breadon spouts off to his brother magnates on the "threat to the financial structure of the game," he's just trying to continue to cheat his own stars of the dough to which they are entitled.

A Redbird is the official insignia of the St. Louis club. One of these days it's going to open its mouth and sound off.

"Cheap, cheap!"

## Names, Please!

A grand jury charged yesterday that certain underworld characters are operating behind legitimate licensed managers of boxers and

"are recognized . . . as virtually indispensable" in the sports world.

The jury said the underworld figures could not come out into the open because they had criminal records.

The jury just concluded a long investigation of the fight game.

# Leading Labor 5's Collide In Four Naturals Tonight

## LABOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

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|------------------|--------|----|------|
| Fur JB           | .....7 | 0  | 1000 |
| Fur 125          | .....7 | 1  | .975 |
| Emerson UE       | .....6 | 2  | .750 |
| Air TWU          | .....6 | 2  | .750 |
| Furriers JC A    | .....6 | 2  | .750 |
| AYD              | .....6 | 2  | .750 |
| Bklyn. PO Clerks | .....4 | 3  | .571 |
| Furriers JC B    | .....4 | 3  | .571 |
| Shoe Workers     | .....4 | 4  | .500 |
| Wmsbg. 65        | .....4 | 4  | .500 |
| Gimbels          | .....4 | 5  | .375 |
| RR Mail          | .....4 | 6  | .444 |
| Macys            | .....2 | 6  | .285 |
| Bloomington's    | .....1 | 3  | .200 |
| University UE    | .....1 | 14 | .068 |
| Retail 830       | .....0 | 9  | .000 |

\* Forfeits rest of games.

## AYD Meets TWU, Fur A Tackles Unbeaten J. B. in Gala Night

Two sizzling "naturals" spark the gala quadruple header of the Labor Sport Federation tonight in the most interesting set of the games of the tourney to date.

All receipts of the games, at Seward Park High, will go to the fight to end discrimination against Negroes in bowling. Admission is 50 cents, 25 cents to LSF cardholders.

The games: American Youth for Democracy vs. Air Transport Workers. This should be a sizzler between two teams with equal records in the race, 6-2. AYD has the youngest and fastest team in the league, sparked by high-scorer Goroff and floorman Tweet. TWU, with a tall,

experienced crew, packs lots of scoring punch in Murtha and Maturro. It's a tossup.

Furriers Joint Board vs. Fur Joint Council "B." The fur will really fly, too! FJB leads the league with 7-0, but the "B" team has been coming fast with improved personnel and sits with 4-3 and the chance to crash the race wide open.

Local 125 vs. Fur JC A. Another honey. Upset by a resurgent Gimbel team, the 125ers will be on the comeback trail after their lone defeat. But they run into an outfit with pennant ideas itself and a 6-2 record. League-leading scorer Robinson will be in action for 125.

Emerson UE, one of the surprises of the league with 6-2, meets a Macy's team better than its 2-6 record suggests.

It's a gala night. If you have just been reading about the Labor Sports teams up till now and have an open evening for high-class sports entertainment, we promise you real basketball, and lots of excitement, in a friendly working class atmosphere and for a better than good cause.

# CCNY, Fordham Clash Today for Tourney Bid

Tournament ambitions collide head-on this afternoon at the 69th Regiment Armory when CCNY meets Fordham's ambitious Rams.

The Ram, with a record of 17 out of 20, just about knocked NYU out of all contention Thursday night in a wild 65-61 victory in the big Fordham gym. In this game Jerry Smith, one of the town's up and coming stars, hit for 24 points and Tony Kappowich clicked for 20. The slumping Violets, rated as best in the city at the season's start, dropped to a record of 12-7, not a tourney mark. Schayes led them with 23, in his best night's work, but the team continued its uneven raggedness.

Meanwhile, CCNY, still in the running with four defeats, was warming up for the Fordham game by running over Brooklyn College 65-49 in the Garden. With Lionel Malamed out because of a practice butt in the eye, Finestone led the well-spread scoring with 10. Whitey Levy showed well for the young Brooklynites.

The nightcap showed St. John's, still very much a tourney hopeful, too, winning a close one from a

good Indiana State team, 62-58. The Redmen will be "in" if they beat NYU Tuesday to sweep the Met. slate clean. They have already beaten CCNY and Fordham, and, despite early losses, are now rated one of the country's better teams.

The visitors came in from Terre Haute by automobile, an 800-mile trip, and showed a good fast-breaking game until St. John's sent in set shooters Buckley and Jacobsen to set shoot from the open spaces left by the visitor's sliding zone defense, which did stop big Boykoff underneath both in shooting and feeding off.

### 'Daily' Roundup:

Henry Armstrong's welter, Mugsey Hursey, beat Billy Arnold on points in Washington and looked good. . . Hawaii's touring basketball team, improving apace, lost to Canisius at Buffalo by two points. . . Knicks meet Toronto Huskies tonight, have to win to keep third and playoff spot. . . NYU favorite to win IC4A tonight with Mondschein's field event points most important. . . Either NYU or Manhattan will re-tire the cup if victorious. . . Gil Dodds will run the two miles in a special event, going for nine minutes. . . New prexy Ingram of the All-America AA says he'll work for cooperation with the National and a pro-football playoff. . . Catholic Youth Organization blasts Durocher as immoral influence, withdraws from Knot Hole Gang at Ebbets Field.

## AYD Trims RR Mail 47-21 to Stay in Race

In the early Labor Sports Federation game played Thursday night, AYD beat Railway Mail Association 47-21 at Central Needle High. The speedy victors, playing without their scoring ace, Mark Goroff, showed a terrific defense, and, led by Ziebel, plenty of scoring punch.

### THE SCORE

| AYD       | G. F. P. | RR MAIL  | G. F. P. |
|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Schmais   | 3 1 7    | Kritzer  | 2 1 5    |
| Gellman   | 0 0 0    | Newman   | 0 0 0    |
| Tweet     | 1 1 3    | McCants  | 1 0 2    |
| Schwartz  | 0 0 0    | Pokowitz | 1 0 2    |
| Carter    | 4 0 8    | Baumwell | 3 1 5    |
| Bochman   | 3 0 6    | Selms    | 0 0 0    |
| Ziebel    | 5 2 12   | Belwyn   | 2 1 5    |
| Jackson   | 0 1 1    | Franco   | 1 0 2    |
| Sala      | 5 0 10   | Hoelg    | 0 0 0    |
| Hartglass | 0 0 0    |          |          |
| Totals    | 21 5 47  | Totals   | 9 3 21   |

### 10 Leading Scorers

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Robinson, 125     | .....133 |
| Goroff, AYD       | .....96  |
| Minter, Shoe      | .....82  |
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## Buffalo Strikers Reject Dewey Offer

By Harry Raymond

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 28.—Early settlement of the five-day old school strike was barred today by what the teachers called a series of "jokers" in Gov. Dewey's salary proposals.

Optimism expressed yesterday by striking teachers and their leaders over first reports of proposals of the Governor's special committee on education faded when the facts and figures were finally subjected to searching and careful analysis.

Raymond J. Ast, president of the Buffalo Teachers Federation, who yesterday said the Governor's proposals "seemed satisfactory," today declared them "highly unsatisfactory."

"After a careful study of the Governor's committee report," Ast said, "the Buffalo Teachers Federation has come to the conclusion that if the schools of Buffalo are to be opened, the Mayor, the Common Council and the Board of Education must stop running around in circles and sit down at a table together and work out a

Special to the Daily Worker

ALBANY, Feb. 28.—The New York State Teachers Association, representing the 44,000 upstate teachers, today called Gov. Dewey's permanent teacher salary program "disappointing."

The association asked that it be radically amended.

method whereby available city funds can be used to meet the teachers' salary demands now.

"This could be done on the basis of proposed permissive tax legislation which we have been assured will be introduced in the legislature next week. We are forced to this conclusion because the long heralded report of the Governor's committee on education has failed to live up to expectations."

Ast spoke to the striking teachers by radio this afternoon revising last night's more favorable estimate of the Governor's proposals. The city's 98 elementary and high schools continued to remain closed.

Demands of the 2,500 strikers remained the same—a \$1,025 across-the-board increase for teachers with salaries ranging from \$1,725 to \$2,975.

### PROMISES BROKEN

"For a long time," Ast declared, "we have been promised that the State Legislature, through the Governor's committee on education, would meet the situation regarding the teachers' salary increases in a satisfactory way. We were told that the teachers would like the report. The Buffalo Evening News, Chairman Edwin F. Jaekle, (of the Republican Party), Mayor Dowd and others exhorted us to be patient, that relief was coming to the teachers through the process of legislation."

"Our study of the report," Ast continued, "indicates that it is highly unsatisfactory, that it does not offer the long promised relief, that it is not intended to take effect in the form of permanent salary legislation until July 1948."

Reports arriving here from Albany indicate the Governor and members of his special committee hoped proposals in the report would bring the strike to an end within 48 hours.

The Governor promised a message to the Legislature Monday asking prompt approval of the committee's plan. Spokesmen for the Dewey administration here said the Governor planned to go no further

ALBANY, Feb. 28.—New York State Education Commissioner Francis T. Spaulding took first official action in the Buffalo school teachers' strike tonight by calling upon the teachers "to fulfill their obligations to the children" and return to their classrooms Monday morning.

on the matter of Buffalo teachers' salaries.

A study of the Governor's committee report by Dr. Arvid J. Burke, research director of the State Teachers Federation to which the Buffalo group is affiliated, shows that about one-third of Buffalo teachers would receive no increases during the 1947-1948 fiscal year. About 1,156 would receive salary increases ranging from \$5 to \$35 annually, while only 234 teachers would receive increases from \$35 to \$175.

Under provisions of the committee report, the Federation points out, 733 teachers would get \$165 increases for the 1948-1949 fiscal year. Forty-one would get \$330 increases.

In 1949-1950, 684 teachers would receive \$165 increases and 49 would get raises amounting to \$350. The next boost would be for the year 1950-1951 when 147 teachers are scheduled for \$330 raises.

For the year 1951-1952, raises of \$330 are scheduled for 82 teachers. And in 1952-1953, 12 teachers would get the \$165 increment and 98 a raise of \$330.

"Are these the wonderful salary proposals we have been told to wait for?" said Ast.

### MAYOR VAGUE

"It seems to us that the problem is again in the lap of our local officials. The citizens of Buffalo will demand that immediate appropriate action be taken to meet with the teachers and offer a solution to their demands."

Mayor Dowd made no reply to the teachers' proposal for negotiations.

He made public a communication to the School Board, stating he would abide by whatever mandatory laws the State Legislature enacts on the salary issue.

"But what will you do if the legislation is permissive and not mandatory?" the Mayor was asked by the Daily Worker.

"We'll do all we can," the Mayor replied vaguely. "We want the legislation passed and signed by the Governor before we act."

The teachers also charge the report leaves the door open for favoritism and discrimination by intangible services to the school and community laid down as measurements for payment of increments. It gives local school boards power to withhold payments to some teachers who might not be on the list of political favorites.

## Bar Association, Business Group Rap Brees Bill

The Brees bill to limit nominations by a party to those enrolled in it has been condemned by both the New York City Bar Association and the Commerce and Industry Association, it was learned yesterday.

The Bar Association legislative service states the bill appears to have as its purpose "increasing the power of party organizations by constitutionally denying to all but the 'faithful' party designations and nominations for public office."

Since nomination by a political party is a prerequisite to election, it goes on to say, the public would be deprived of the services of the most able people, who may not be affiliated to any party.

### BACKED LAGUARDIA

The Commerce and Industry Association, a conservative group, also opposes the measure because it bars independents. Some of the Association members had backed Mayor LaGuardia on a good government basis. They figure the bill would make the election of such men impossible.

Both organizations oppose the measure because it would prevent non-partisan nomination of judges.

Despite the wide opposition to the Brees bill, there is serious danger that some variant of it will be passed at this session. A flock of bills of similar character has been introduced. The Assembly Judiciary Committee is due to consider them early next week.

One measure designed to limit the activity of independents or party opponents to machine rule has already been approved by the Committee and will come up for Assembly vote next week.

This is the Brook-Burney measure to limit the right to circulate nominating petitions for the primaries to enrolled voters of the party concerned, who live in the political subdivision for which the primary is held.

This would bar independents or enrollees of another party or in another district from going into a district to help circulate petitions naming candidates in opposition to the machine.

### 'Lucky' Loses in Court

HAVANA, Feb. 28.—The Cuban Supreme Court today rejected a writ of habeas corpus petition filed on behalf of Charles "Lucky" Luciano.

## Transformed Their Nation

TIRANA, Albania (By Mail).—Three-fifths of Albania's land was once owned by a handful of landlords. Premier Enver Hoxha's government gave it to the peasants, and now—

one year after the People's Republic was proclaimed—the villages have been transformed.

Drainage systems to irrigate ad-



William Green meets Rep. Hartley, of House Labor Committee, on eve of his statement agreeing to weakening of Wagner Act.

## RED SCARE TO BE MAIN GOP THEME FOR '48, 'IN FACT' SAYS

A Hitler-like "menace of Communism" scare has already been adopted by the Republican Party as the main theme of its 1948 campaign for the presidency, according to George Seides' newsletter, *In Fact*.

The March 3 issue of the letter says Speaker of the House Joe Martin and Senator Styles Bridges of New Hampshire decided on this strategy.

A syndicated column, the *National Whirligig*, written by Ray Tucker and circulated by the McClure Syndicate, is quoted as authority for *In Fact's* charge. The memorandum sent out by the *National Whirligig* is not for publication; it is for the "information and use of editors."

### "GREATER ASSET"

Tucker said Martin "keeps in close touch" with the chairman of the red-baiting Un-American Activities Committee, Rep. J. Parnell Thomas (R-N.J.).

"Speaker Martin expects that the House Committee investigating alleged communist activities

within certain government departments will make the red issue an even greater asset in 1948 than it was in the 1946 Congressional campaign," Tucker said.

The private memo, dated Feb. 14, was out before Gov. Dewey's recent attempt to red bait the Democratic Party after he had barred the Assembly to a citizen's delegation. The memo indicated that red baiting in the 1946 campaign, together with anti-New Deal lines in the current Lillenthal inquisition, are regarded as successful tests of the strategy.

The Martin-Bridges scheme would extend these methods to a howling campaign against New Deal "Pinkos" in every department of government.

While President Roosevelt would be pictured as having brought to Washington the "radicals" who are to be the excuse for the campaign, Truman will be blamed for their continued presence, Tucker said.

The writer also indicated that the Administration's counter-strategy would be to exceed the Republicans in red baiting and anti-Sovietism.

## Mine, Mill Union Hoover's Snare

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35,000 Connecticut members of MMSW will take place here Sunday.

The conference, according to eastern vice-president Homer Wilson of the union, will shift attention from internal strife to the need of "more food on the table."

With delegates expected from all locals in the state, Wilson said that among the officers to attend will be Robinson, vice-president Maurice Travis, executive board member Ken Eckert and other top leaders.

The effects of the secession movement in the brass locals, in the meantime, was beginning to show itself with the announcement by American Brass and Chase Brass and other firms that they will not engage in collective bargaining with either the MMSW or secessionists until control of the union bargaining units is decided. This action by the companies is taken under the guise of protecting themselves from charges of Wagner Act violation.

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tion—a menace to democracy.

There is another path. Take the factories away from the Nazi owners and let the workers run them. Divide the land to independent farmers.

Let western and eastern Germany unite under a central government. Use Germany's Ruhr for all of Germany, and let such a democratic Reich under trustworthy leaders help reconstruct the rest of Europe. That's the only way to save American taxpayer's money—and American lives.

This is exactly what Hoover and his pal, John Foster Dulles are trying to avoid. They want western Germany as a base of operations against democracy in Europe, against Russia. And such a Germany could easily become a menace to us again.

Hoover's plan is short-sighted, costly, un-American in its entire conception. This is why Americans should slap it down hard.

## Senate Limits Cut in U. S. Debt

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—The Senate voted unanimously today to put a \$2,600,000,000 limit on budget savings available for trimming the \$260,000,000,000 national debt.

The decision tossed the budget controversy back to the House.

The Senate gave final approval to a resolution to lop \$4,500,000,000 from Truman's '48 fiscal spending program. The House previously voted for a \$6,000,000,000 cut.